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51.3 20M The following report covers current conditions at the two plants of USTA-
51.3 31M controlled Teudloff- Varag Vereinigte Armaturen- und Maschinenfabrik. Work I
51.3 41M is in Vienna XX, Drednerstrasse 49 and Hellwegstrasse 16. Work II is in
Vienna- Atzgersdorf, Soeisingerstrasse 442.

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Work II

1. Present monthly production is about twelve carloads, including steel castings, iron castings and castings from material furnished by customers. Lack of raw material forced the firm to make use of rough steel castings, stored at the plant since 1944, for further production. There are about six hundred rough steel castings (Stahlgussrohlinge) of different sizes (chiefly 125, 150, 200, and 300 mm. fittings), types N 5115, N 5115 P, N 5115 M, 810, 825, 5105, N 5110, N 5120, N 5120 M, 5150 IM and special type 5130 F; all of them had been sent to Vienna from the steel works at Traisen and from a factory in Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, for further processing.
2. It is planned to manufacture Ausbruchschieber (preventers), similar to type 5413, out of thirty to forty of the rough steel castings. This equipment is used to control the flow of oil and can withstand a pressure of 240 to 420 atmospheres. The pipes have a diameter of 8.10 to 12 inches. A preventer weighs about 2.5 to 3 tons. This item should be in full production by the end of the year. A special variety of preventer is intended for export to Poland. Exact numbers are not yet available.
3. Shipments to Bulgaria, Hungary, and Sweden consist mostly of cast steel fittings (Armaturen) for oil, gasoline, water, steam, and gas to withstand a pressure of 100 to 400 atmospheres. At present, two large sluices (Schleusenanlagen) are being manufactured for shipment to Hungary.

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4. Hydrants, water fittings (Armaturen), and some large water valves (Wasserschieber) are being manufactured for the domestic market; the water valves (diameter 1500 mm) are for dams.
5. Morale among the workers is poor since pay has decreased. The most expert workmen receive 132.30 schillings a week; extra pay has been discontinued. Since the plant has an insufficient number of special workers and experts, it is impossible to increase production capacity. A mechanic now requires ten to eleven hours to mount a parallel valve, an operation which was performed with ease during the war in two or three hours. Poor organization and shortage of mounting equipment account for this fact.

Work I

6. Smaller types of cast steel fittings, described as Schieber mit Konusflaeche und Niropanzerung (50, 80, and 100 mm. in diameter), are under production to supplement the big fittings, manufactured at Work II. Lack of various parts forced the plant to merge different models; it is not possible to get the necessary new cast steel. The plant possesses a new melting furnace, which is not in operation, since raw materials are not available. Material for production comes only from supplies laid in during the war. Products of this plant also are shipped to Hungary, Bulgaria, and Sweden.
7. It is not possible to determine the monthly production at present. Morale factors are the same as those mentioned in paragraph 5 above.

Miscellaneous

8. Production is expected to cease as soon as available supplies are used up at the end of the year. All attempts to get raw materials have so far failed, chiefly because of the firm's shortage of money.
9. Former general manager of Teudloff-Vana, Dipl. Engr. Josef HARNUTH, has been invited to return to his former job, as the result of a conference of shop stewards and laborers. As yet, the Soviets have not given their consent. HARNUTH, who is politically compromised, is considered particularly well-qualified technically.

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